



Northbridge Public Schools

Northbridge School Committee

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Alicia Cannon, Brian Paulhus, Randi Zanca

Northbridge Public Schools School Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, July 11th, 2017 6:30 PM Northbridge High School Media Center

I. Call to Order (6:47)

II. Attendance

Alicia Cannon	Present
Mike LeBrasseur	Present
Brian Paulhus	Present
Joseph Strazzulla	Absent
Randi Zanca	Present

Also in attendance were Superintendent Catherine Stickney and Business Manager Melissa Walker

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Statement of Audio and Video Recording

V. Statement of Mission

VI. Public Comment

None.

VII. Consent agenda

- a. School Committee Regular Meeting Minutes from 7pm on June 27, 2017
- b. Warrant 37-52s 6/22/17 \$193,703.74

A motion was made by Randi Zanca to accept the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Alicia Cannon. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Alicia Cannon	Yes
Mike LeBrasseur	Yes
Brian Paulhus	Yes
Joseph Strazzulla	Absent
Randi Zanca	Yes

4 members having voted in the affirmative

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0 members having voted in the negative

The motion was accepted with a roll call vote of 4-0.

VIII. Action items:

a. Job Description Revision-Director of Technology

A motion was made by Randi Zanca to approve the Job Description Revision for the Director of Technology. A motion was seconded by Alicia Cannon. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Alicia Cannon Yes

Mike LeBrasseur Yes

Brian Paulhus Yes

Joseph Strazzulla Absent

Randi Zanca Yes

4 members having voted in the affirmative

0 members having voted in the negative

The motion was accepted with a roll call vote of 4-0.

IX. Discussion:

a. Capital Projects/Fall Warrant

Melissa Walker stated that the current plan in the packet is not updated. The new Facilities Director has reviewed the information, but will need to investigate each of the projects that are listed. In regards to the timeline for the fall, we do not have anything official yet. However, in conversation with the Town Manager, she believes August 25th will be the warrant deadline.

b. Student/Family Handbook 2017-2018

Catherine Stickney stated that the handbook in the packet is a first draft. All building Principals and Assistant Principals (with the exception of the HS) have assisted in preparing the document. The school nurses are participating as well. We will come back with more iterations as we continue to work through the document.

*Joseph Strazzulla arrived at 6:56pm

c. Job Description Update- Dean of Students, Northbridge High School

Catherine stated that with the reorganization and structure with the budget, we have moved ISS from the HS to the MS. With that switch, we are looking to restructure ISS at the HS. The Dean of Students will be in charge of organizing and finding coverage for ISS. This will be an action item for the 8/22 meeting.

d. School Building Committee Update

Catherine Stickney stated that since the last SC meeting and SBC meeting we have been publicizing some of the public forums, events, etc.. We have scheduled and MSBA kick-off meeting for July 25th. This will take place at Balmer. The MSBA will come to Balmer. The SBC members will tour NES and Balmer this Saturday.

Joseph Strazzulla stated that he asked Joel Seeley to add an action item to the agenda for the next meeting to form a PR committee. Joe stated he has been publicizing the process as well and getting the PR side moving along.

The dates for the Community Visionary Forums are as follows: July 31, 2017 8:30am-12:30pm, August 1, 2017 8:30am-12:30pm, and August 9, 2017 8:30-3:30- These will take place at the NHS- Media Center.

A motion was made by Joseph Strazzulla to appoint Steven Von Barga to the School Building Committee responsible for Facilities and Grounds. A motion was seconded by Randi Zanca. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Alicia Cannon	Yes
Mike LeBrasseur	Yes
Brian Paulhus	Yes
Joseph Strazzulla	Yes
Randi Zanca	Yes

5 members having voted in the affirmative

0 members having voted in the negative

The motion was accepted with a roll call vote of 5-0.

A motion was made by Randi Zanca to appoint Steven Von Barga to the Town Safety Committee. A motion was seconded by Joseph Strazzulla. The vote was taken by roll call vote and the following votes were recorded:

Alicia Cannon	Yes
Mike LeBrasseur	Yes
Brian Paulhus	Yes
Joseph Strazzulla	Yes
Randi Zanca	Yes

5 members having voted in the affirmative

0 members having voted in the negative

The motion was accepted with a roll call vote of 5-0.

X. School Committee Individual Comments

Michael LeBrasseur- The Instructional Technologists do not report to the Director of Technology, correct? They report to the building Principals. They are members of the NTA.

XI. Adjournment (7:17 P.M.)

The motion was made by Joseph Strazzulla to adjourn the meeting to meet in executive session pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws chapter 30A section 21 (a) for the following purpose:

- A. Purpose (2) to Discuss Strategy with Respect to Collective Bargaining with Union and Non-Union Personnel not to return to open session

The motion was seconded by Randi Zanca.

Alicia Cannon	Yes
Mike LeBrasseur	Yes
Brian Paulhus	Yes
Joseph Strazzulla	Yes
Randi Zanca	Yes

5 members having voted in the affirmative

0 members having voted in the negative

The motion was accepted with a roll call vote of 5-0.